

Milwaukie Arts Committee, 10722 SE Main Street, Milwaukie, OR 97222

<u>Chair</u>: Andrea Adams <u>Vice-Chair</u>: Maitri Dirmeyer <u>Secretary</u>: Lars Campbell <u>Treasurer</u>: Chris Davis

Members: Rebecca Banyas; Denise Emmerling-Baker; Chris Haberman

Staff Liaison: Mitch Nieman

artMOB Draft Minutes April 20, 2016 | Meeting Start Time: 5:35 p.m.

<u>Present</u>: Andrea Adams, Lars Campbell, Maitri Dirmeyer, Denise Emmerling-Baker, Chris Haberman, staff liaison Mitch Nieman, and guest Hamid Bennett

Absent: Chris Davis and Rebecca Banyas

<u>Minutes Approval</u>: After introductions, Emmerling-Baker moved to approve the minutes from the March meeting. The motion was seconded by Haberman, and the committee approved the minutes unanimously.

Artmob meeting with City Council recap: The meeting on April 19 with City Council went well. Nieman reports that Adams presented well, and much they seemed receptive to our work. There was some discussion about a percent for art program, and it again seemed that they were receptive and had positivity to the idea. It was especially positive that we were involving business and that they were becoming involved in our efforts. artMOB would like to get some form of the percent for art program in front of City Council in May or June. It is decided that we should start honing in on guidelines so we're prepared to move quickly if we procure some funding and have guidelines about how to spend it.

<u>First Friday</u>: Haberman is hanging the lobby series show on Friday, one week early. He is also going to speak with pearl district First Thursday artists about bringing their pieces to Milwaukie for our event. There is discussion about the rental fee for artists' booths on Main St., \$10 for each tent. There is some confusion about the fee, as it seems the city didn't know there was a rental fee happening.

<u>Chinese Art show</u>: The committee discussed details of this continuing project. The art will arrive in May, and it has been determined that we can keep it displayed as long as we see fit. Some percentage of sales will go back to the Sister City Association if it sells during show. If art sells later, the Chinese artists have agreed to donate to a cause (ArtMOB is a possible cause). It is not known yet if art will be framed or it there will be needs for framing. <u>Action item:</u> Emerling-Baker and Haberman to begin work on a walking tour of the Chinese art in Milwaukie and send out regests for help to the committee.

artMOB documents: Action item: Remaining Google docs to be approved next month.

<u>Media:</u> There is media for tribune ready to be sent out. Through discussion, we find the city has its own media contact list. Adams had been seeking a current contact list. <u>Action item:</u> artMOB to create art-specific list so that art contacts who wouldn't be in a standard media list get covered.

<u>Intersection Painting</u>: The committee has discussion of the process. It is learned that an interested group would go to planning department first, and then artMOB will be part of the ad hoc committee who will be in the review process.

<u>artMOB image/branding</u>: There is discussion about the two names in circulation for our group, artMOB and the Milwaukie Arts Committee. We still like the artMOB name. We find it to be good for underground, good for sticking in people's memory. We decide to keep it. We need the logo updated with Milwaukie arts committee under the artMOB on our logo and business cards.

<u>Action item:</u> Print new artMOB business cards.

<u>Grants</u>: Dirmeyer asks about grants, noting that many require a group to be a 501(c)3. There is discussion about the positives and negatives of this, and the possibility of some type of umbrella sponsorship (a 501(c)3 acting as our sponsor to look at grants). There is also discussion about becoming a 501(c)3 in the future, and the different benefits of that situation. It is decided to continue that discussion at our annual retreat as a long-term possibility.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05pm.